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<b>PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVIDABLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)</b>	Docket Number (Optional)
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>           First Named Inventor: <b>WILLIAM ARTHUR TAYLOR</b>            Application Number: <b>10/045,250</b>            Filed: <b>11/07/2001</b>            Title: <b>METHOD OF PLAYING AND PAYING GAMBLING GAMES</b> </div> <div>           Art Unit: <b>3712</b>            Examiner: <b>Layno</b> </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;">           Attention: Office of Petitions  <b>Mail Stop Petition</b>            Commissioner for Patents            P.O. Box 1450            Alexandria, VA 22313-1450         </div> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <b>RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER FEB 08 2005</b> </div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTE: If information or assistance is needed in completing this form, please contact Petitions Information at (703) 305-9282.</p> <p>The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus any extensions of time actually obtained.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION.</b></p> <p>NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Petition fee.</li> <li>(2) Reply and/or issue fee.</li> <li>(3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee—required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and</li> <li>(4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay.</li> </ol> <p>1. Petition fee</p> <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small entity — fee \$ <u>250.00</u> (37 CFR 1.17(l)). Applicant claims small entity status.                See 37 CFR 1.27.         </div> <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Other than small entity — fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(l)).         </div> <p>2. Reply and/or fee</p> <p>A The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of <u>reply to office action and amendment A</u> (identify the type of reply):</p> <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> has been filed previously on _____         </div> <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is enclosed herewith.         </div> <p>B The issue fee of \$ _____</p> <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> has been filed previously on _____         </div> <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed herewith.         </div> </div>	

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- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

**4. An adequate showing of the cause of the delay, and that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) was unavoidable, is enclosed.**

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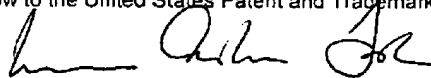
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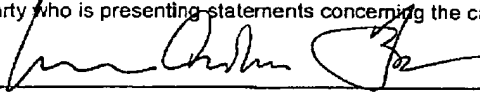
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(In the space provided below, please explain in detail the reasons for the delay in filing a proper reply.)

The last office action was not received by mail or by email. I don't know how you can prove something did NOT happen, but I promise, I affirm and I swear I did not receive this latest office action until after I made a special inquiry on January 19, 2005, and my examiner faxed it to me.

I have no reason to fabricate this or to delay this. Paying more fees is not fun.

My mail service operates normally in all respects, except once every year or two exceptionally high winds have blown mail from my mailbox. (I don't believe this was the case here, since Sept/Oct 2004 were fairly mild.)

My examiner did acknowledge that in spite of the PTO's best efforts there are sometimes problems with the mail.

Please accept my petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a), as I could not timely reply without the office action. Also please communicate with me at my new permanent email address on this matter if possible at:  
wtaylor@vistagaming.com.

Thank you.

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